(c) whether it is a fact that Cost Accounts Branch has recommended the recovery of the amount with interest against the Company;

(d) what is the amount recoverable from the Company and the interest thereon;

(e) whether the amount of recovery has been recovered from Company ;

(f) if not, what are the reasons and the officers responsible therefor; and

(g) what steps Government have taken to investigate the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) CA (Cost) Branch has only recommended a payment of Rs. 10.22 lakhs against the Firm's claim of Rs. 32.05 lakhs. Since Rs. 24,03,960/- was paid in advance to the firm provisionally, the net amount recoverable from the Firm is Rs. 13,81,540/- and interest recoverable is Rs. 21,27,049/-.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) and (g) Do not arise.

Fly-over bridge at Dimapur in Nagaland

3013. SHRI KHYOMO LOTHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a second fly-over bridge is being constructed at Dimapur in Nagaland;

(b) what is the estimated cost of the project;

(c) when this project was started and by when it is likely to be completed;

(d) the name of the contractor to whom the work of the project has been awarded;

(e) whether compensation has been paid to the land owners who might be affected by this project; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether such arrangement is being contemplated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The work was sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.63 crores.

(c) Work on bridge approaches has been commenced by the State Government during 1991-92. The railway portion of the work on bridge proper will be commenced shortly and is likely to be completed during 1994-95.

(d) The contract for the railway portion of the work has not yet been awarded.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. Railway portion of the work does not involve acquisition of land.

Expension and modernisation of railway services between Delhi and Meerut

3014. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the Railway projects for the satellite towns in the NCR, particularly Ghaziabad and Meerut, in the current year and the next financial year;

(b) whether Government have received many representations from travelling public and various organisations demanding expansion and modernisation of railway service between Delhi and Meerut; and

(c) if so, the details of these demands and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No project for the satellite towns in the NCR regions has been sanctioned during the current year. Proposals for next financial year viz. 1992-93 are yet to be finalised.

(b) and (c) Demand for electrification of Ghaziabad-Meerut section has been received. Cost-cum-feasibility survey for this work has been taken up. Final decision would depend on the result of the survey and availability of funds.